

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please replace the claims with the following re-written version:

1. (Currently Amended) Method of handling a person with a handling system including support means with at least two support sheets initially positioned under the person, said method comprising:

winding said at least two support sheets on at least four rollers ~~to a position~~ such that said at least four rollers are positioned in proximity to sides of the person's body,

connecting said at least four rollers to handling means, and

handling the person by performing a lifting or movement ~~in of~~ said support means by via said handling means.

2. (Previously Presented) Method of handling a person according to claim 1 wherein said connecting includes a locking or fixing process of said at least four rollers to one or more frames and connecting said handling means to one or more of said frames.

3. (Currently Amended) Method of handling a person according to claim 2, ~~wherein~~ the handling of said one or more frames being performed by a drive means, connected to said one or more frames ~~through~~ via lifting lines and a lift yoke.

4. (Previously Presented) Method of handling a person according to claim 2 wherein the handling is performed with rear and front lifting lines connected to a yoke and extremity points of said one or more frames.

5. (Currently Amended) Method of handling a person according to claim 4 wherein said handling is performed ~~as~~ via a vertical up or down movement or a horizontal movement of said lift yoke by said handling means.

6. (Currently Amended) Method of handling a person according to claim 1, wherein said at least four rollers being pivotally movable by handles or motor means.

7. (Previously Presented) Method of handling a person according to claim 6 wherein said pivotal movement is only possible in one direction during the winding of said at least two support sheets on said at least four rollers.

8. (Previously Presented) Method of handling a person according to claim 1 wherein said one or more support sheets, in a non-use situation, are suspended and stretched out on the mattress of the bed.

9. (Previously Presented) Method of handling a person according to claim 8 wherein said sheets are suspended by releasable straps or by said at least four rollers connected to holding means, said straps or said holding means being fixed to the sides of a bed.

10. (Currently Amended) Method of handling a person according to claim 1 wherein said at least two support sheets include an upper support sheet and a lower support sheet, being that are positioned under the upper and/or lower part of the person's body, respectively.

11. (Previously Presented) Method of handling a person according to claim 10 wherein handling is performed with only said upper support sheet and a corresponding frame.

12. (Previously Presented) Method of handling a person according to claim 1 wherein said handling movement is transferred to said at least two support sheets resulting in a movement of the person from a laying position to a position supported by said support sheets or vice versa.

13. (Previously Presented) Method of handling a person according to claim 1 wherein said support means are adapted to a size of the body in an area of the support sheets.

14. (Currently Amended) Method of handling a person according to claim 1 wherein a ~~mutual~~ substantially equal distance between said at least two support sheets is controlled and/or upheld.

15. (Previously Presented) Method of handling a person according to claim 1 wherein said at least two support sheets are moved sideways underneath the person by dragging at one edge of each sheet and releasing at the other edge of each sheet.

16. (Currently Amended) Handling system for lifting or moving a person from a first position to another, said system comprising

support means, and

handling means,

wherein

said support means includes at least two support sheets in contact with different areas of the person's body during handling,

said support means further comprises at least four rollers for winding said at least two support sheets from opposite sides of the sheet, ~~to a position~~ said at least four rollers

being configured for positioning in close proximity of to sides of the person's body, said
at least four rollers, and

said support means being connected to said handling means through said rollers,

wherein said support means establishes a handling structure around the person allowing the person to be lifted or moved by activating said handling means.

17. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 16 wherein said at least two support sheets include an upper support sheet and a lower support sheet, positioned under the upper and/or lower part of the person's body, respectively.

18. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 16 wherein said support means further comprises a lifting frame or a first frame section connected to said upper support sheet through said at least two rollers and/or a support frame or a second frame section connected to the lower support sheet through said at least two rollers.

19. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 18 wherein said lifting and support frame each includes a first and second frame part connected by at least one flexible intersection.

20. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 18 wherein said lifting and support frames are connected by one or more straps from said lifting frame to each of said first and second frame part.

21. (Currently Amended) Handling system according to claim 16 wherein said upper and lower support sheets include at least one flexible connection connecting configured to connect opposite edges of the sheets.

22. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 18 wherein said first and second frame section includes at least one connection, allowing said frame sections to perform a rotating movement in relation to each other.

23. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 16 wherein said handling means comprises drive means, connected to said one or more frames sections through lifting lines and a lift yoke.

24. (Currently Amended) Handling system according to claim 16 wherein said first position is in a bed ~~including and includes~~ said at least two support sheets and at least two holding devices for said at least four rollers or said at least two sheets.

25. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 24 wherein said another position is a sitting position.

26. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 24 wherein at least two holding devices are fixed on the sides of the bed.

27. (Withdrawn) Handling system according to claim 16 wherein at least two holding devices are positioned on one or more movable guide rails.

28. (Withdrawn) Handling system according to claim 27 wherein said guide rails comprises drive means, connected to said at least four rollers allowing the rollers to rotate clockwise or anticlockwise to wind or unwind the upper and lower support sheets from the rollers.

29. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 16 wherein said at least two support sheets include a number of different types of lower support sheets comprising at least one of wider sheets for lifting and rotating a person, normal sheets for lifting the person and smaller sheets for lifting the person to the bath room, and a number of different types of upper support sheets .

30. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 16 wherein said at least two support sheets include a number of different types of upper and lower support sheets with different lengths for lifting a person and for rotating a person.

31. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 30 wherein said upper and lower support sheets comprise connection sections at the longitudinal sheet edges.

32. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 31 wherein said at least four rollers comprise connection sections on the roller surfaces.

33. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 32 wherein said connection sections of said upper and lower support sheets and at least four rollers establish connections between said upper and lower support sheets and said at least four rollers.

34. (Currently Amended) Handling system according to claim 16 wherein said at least four rollers are connected to handles through gear means with ~~teeth~~toothed wheels allowing a transmission.

35. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 34 wherein said gear means include at least one spring operated locking pin and at least one ratchet wheel allowing pivotal movement in only one direction during a winding of said at least two support sheets on said at least four rollers.

36. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 18 wherein said lifting frame or said first frame section comprise triangular or similarly shaped frame parts with ends connected to two of said at least four rollers.

37. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 16 wherein two of said at least four rollers are connected between ends at a pivot hinge and at a boom as a frame part.

38. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 37 wherein said rollers are connected through poles fixed to said frame parts, said rollers rotating on said poles with bearing means.

39. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 18 wherein the support means comprises rear and front lifting lines connected to a yoke and extremity points of said one or more frame sections.

40. (Previously Presented) Handling system according to claim 16 wherein said support means comprises adjustment means to adapt the size of the support means to a body of the person in an area of the support sheets by changing a width of the frames.